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NEWSLETTER

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HUNTINGTON PARK FIGHTS AGAINST ILLEGAL DUMPING

Couches, cabinets, chairs, Oh My! The Public Works Department and United Pacific Waste (UPW) strive to keep the City in a clean, attractive condition. In response to illegal dumping concerns, the City has developed the Illegal Dumping Task Force.

“Illegal dumping” refers to dumping waste illegally, instead of using an authorized method such as curbside collection or an authorized trash collection facility. When individuals dump illegally, it generates a negative impression of the City and can potentially pose health or safety risks. Illegal dumping also impacts the environment and clean up costs have fiscal implications on the City, which uses up tax-payer dollars.

According to City reports, 97 responses to illegal dumping were recorded in March 2015 and 173 responses in July 2015, nearly a 170% increase.

The Task Force will focus on educating the public on how to properly dispose of trash, including bulky items (e.g. furniture, large pieces of trash). Additionally, the Task Force will devise a series of penalties to deter illegal dumping. Residents are reminded that trash items must be placed in appropriate containers and failing to do so can result in a misdemeanor, per Huntington Park Municipal Code 5-11.05.2.

To schedule a pick-up of large, bulky items, please call the City’s contracted trash company, United Pacific Waste (UPW) at 866-699-7600.

NOTICE OF CHANGE FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Regular City of Huntington Park City Council Meetings held the first and third Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m., have changed, starting **October 6, 2015** to the first and third **TUESDAY** of each month, the location to remain the same. Council meetings are held in the Council Chambers, 6550 Miles Avenue, Huntington Park, CA.

City Council Meeting Agendas and Minutes are also available online on the City Council webpage at www.hpca.gov.

The City of Huntington Park invites all residents to attend and take part in the City Council meetings to help better their community.

STAR WORLD JOINS HP, TO SPUR ECONOMIC GROWTH

Huntington Park unveiled Star World, a retail complex that will add jobs to the area and feed economic growth.



Huntington Park officials expect that Star World will be appreciated by the community and will also serve to provide quality local jobs to the area. Star World will soon prove to be the catalyst for worthwhile economic development projects currently being planned on Pacific Boulevard and throughout Huntington Park.

Star World held its Grand Opening on October 9, 2015 at its location at **6054 Pacific Blvd.**



NOTICE ON CITY WATER MAINS AND METERS

Water is currently scarce and maintaining the methods of water distribution can be costly. As such, the City would like to inform residents about water a use and service.

Per Municipal Code 6-5.216, a consumer will be held liable for any damage to water meters or other equipment on property of which the consumer is the owner . The consumer will be held liable for all costs related to the repair or replacement of damaged water meters or other equipment.

Per Municipal Code 6-5.211 (a), it is unlawful for any person to make a physical water connection that has not been approved by the Director of Field Services. A violation of this rule will render water service liable to immediate disconnection and will constitute a misdemeanor . Per M.C. 6-5.211 (b), only authorized agents or employees of the City Water Department may turn on and off water service, unless the Director of Field Services has permitted other-



wise. A violation of this rule will constitute a misdemeanor.

Unauthorized persons are strictly prohibited from removing, tampering with, or obstructing a water meter main or lateral. Criminal charges and civil penalties may be the result from ille-

gally tampering with the water system. Water meters are the property of the City of Huntington Park and removing or tampering with a water meter can result in a misdemeanor, per M.C. 6-5.212.

The City of Huntington Park advises residents to be mindful of their water usage and to help protect, as well as maintain, the City's water meters and mains. If you see a broken water meter or line, please call the Public Works Department at 323-584-6274 and/or Severn Trent at 323-587-5969.

JOIN THE HUNTINTON PARK TEAM!

The City of Huntington Park currently has vacant employment positions. Check out the City's current job openings and be the first to know when new positions open up by signing up for email alerts at www.hpca.gov on the "Job Openings" page.



For more information, please contact the Human Resources Department at 323-584-6227.

"Haunt"ington Park Halloween Festival

Saturday, October 31, 2015

3-9 PM

Robert H. Keller Park
(1650 Miles Ave.)

Costume Contest
4-6 PM
Free to register
Divisions: 0-2, 3-6, 7-12, 13+

Haunted House
3-9 PM
Canned Food as suggested entry donation

Fright Night Movie
ParaNorman
6:30 PM
Bring your lawn or beach chair

(323) 584-6218 • parks@hpca.gov

PARKS & REC, POLICE DEPT PROMOTE PARK SAFETY

In an effort to make community parks safer and more enjoyable, the City of Huntington Park has initiated the City Parks Public Safety Program, led by the Huntington Park Police Department's Cadets.



The presence of drug users, narcotics sellers, teenage truancy, and homeless populations have diminished the quality of the City's parks. This new security program will add on to the current Parks and Recreation Department's Park Monitor program to help prevent crime and illegal activities. In addition, the program will educate the public about municipal codes and enforce laws. Cadets will patrol the City's parks in varying schedules and will enhance the environment by improving public safety.

For more information about the City Parks Public Safety Program, please contact the Huntington Park Police Department at 323-826-6254 or Parks & Recreation at 323-584-6218.



ATTENTION PET OWNERS

The City of Huntington Park would like to remind residents and visitors to properly dispose of pet waste by placing it in a plastic bag and tossing it in the trash. Pet waste contains harmful bacteria that can spread serious diseases when it contaminates our waterways. Failure to pick up pet waste on a sidewalk is a violation of Huntington Park Municipal Code 5-11.13 and failing to clean up pet waste on private property is a violation of HPMC 5-11.13, Section B. The minimum fine for either violation is \$100.00 for the first infraction.



For Animal Control service requests please call the Huntington Park Police Department at (323) 826-6682. For information about low cost spaying and neutering, vaccinations, adoptions, and micro-chipping for your pet, please visit www.seaaca.org.

JOIN BENNETT LANDSCAPE



Bennett Landscape will hire 8-10 experienced individuals for part-time and full-time positions. Positions available are landscape maintenance forearms and drivers, gardeners, janitorial, tree trimmers, and masonry. For more information, please call 310-534-3543 ext. 115.

SAVING WATER: OUR MOST PRECIOUS RESOURCE

In response to California's severe drought, the City of Huntington Park has approved new water restrictions for all residents and businesses:

- Water landscapes on Mondays and Thursday before 6 a.m. or after 6 p.m.
- No watering sidewalks, alleys, or driveways. Use a broom to clear out areas
- Wash car with a bucket of water and an automatic nozzle on the hose
- Repair leaky faucets
- Glasses of water at restaurants by request only
- Hotels and motels must offer option of not laundering linens and towels
- No outside watering within 48 hours of measurable rain



Water conservation is one of the most important habits residents can undertake to help preserve the environment. In an effort to help promote water conservation, a variety of water rebates are available to Huntington Park residents:

- High-Efficiency Clothes Washers (rebates starting at \$85)
- High-Efficiency Toilets (rebates starting at \$100)
- Weather-Based Irrigation Controllers (rebates starting at \$80/controller for less than 1 acre of landscape; \$35/station for more than 1 acre)
- Rotating Sprinkler Nozzles (rebates starting at \$4/nozzle)
- Rain Barrels (rebates starting at \$75/barrel)
- Turf Removal (rebate funds from the State are currently unavailable; updates will be available in November)

For details on rebate programs, please visit www.SoCalWaterSmart.com or call 888-376-3314. For water-saving tips, visit the Huntington Park website at www.hpca.gov.

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

“Haunt”ington Park Halloween Festival

October 31 | 3 pm—9 pm
Robert H. Keller Park
6550 Miles Ave

NOVEMBER

Let's Keep HP Clean & Beautiful

November 7 | 9 am—11 am
Marquez High School
6361 Cottage St

Veterans Day Ceremony

November 11 | 1 pm
Huntington Park Community Center
6925 E. Salt Lake Ave

Senior Trip to Fantasy Casino

November 19 | All Day
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DECEMBER

Citywide Yard Sale

December 5-6 | All Day
City of Huntington Park

Tree Lighting Ceremony

December 5 | All Day
Robert H. Keller Park
6550 Miles Ave

HP City Hall Closed

December 24 | After 12 pm
December 25 - January 1 | All Day

For more information about upcoming events, visit the City

Calendar of Events on

www.hpca.gov or call

323-582-6161



CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS



Mayor Karina Macias
Vice Mayor Graciela Ortiz
Councilmember Valentin P. Amezcuita
Councilmember Jhonny Pineda
Councilmember Marilyn Sanabria

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

City Hall: 323-582-6161
Parks & Recreation: 323-584-6218
Code Enforcement: 323-826-6693
Animal Control: 323-826-6682
Graffiti Hotline: 323-584-6380
Water: 323-584-6278
Trash: 866-699-7600
Emergency: 911

6550 Miles Ave, Huntington Park, CA 90255



The Fair Housing Foundation (FHF) is a non-profit corporation, founded in 1964, and is dedicated to promoting fairness in housing, as well as equal access to housing choices for everyone.

FHF can help with issues concerning:

Discrimination	Fair Housing Laws
Tenant/Landlord Disputes	Evictions
Repairs	Rent Increases
Security Deposits	Lease Agreements

1-800-446-3247

WWW.FHFCA.ORG

PARKS & RECREATION FALL SCHEDULE OF CLASSES



The Department of Parks and Recreation is pleased to announce that its Fall 2015 Schedule of Classes is now available on its webpage on www.hpca.gov. Parks and Recreation offers a wide range of recreational classes and activities, youth and adult sports leagues, and youth programs.

To contact Parks and Recreation, you may call them at 323-587-6218 or visit them at 3401 E. Florence Avenue.

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